



Loudoun News

Report from Scott K. York

Chairman, Loudoun County Board of Supervisors

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Message from Chairman Scott K. York



Dear Friends:

The public hearing process begins regarding the proposed amendments to the County's zoning ordinance and remapping effort to implement the "Smart Growth" principles contained in the revised Comprehensive Plan. I urge all interested residents to participate in this important process.

I am pleased to be able to bring to your attention a new bus service along Route 7 to

help relieve traffic congestion. Appropriately named, "7 to 7 on 7" this new service will be free during the summer months. After that the fare will be 50 cents. Please see page two for more details.

As always, I look forward to hearing from you regarding your thoughts and suggestions.

Scott K. York
Chairman

Planning Commission Public Hearings on Zoning Ordinance Set

All parcel owners in Loudoun County outside of the seven incorporated towns and the Route 28 Transportation Improvement District will receive a letter from the Planning Commission in early August, notifying them of proposed zoning changes that may affect their property.

Amendments to the county's zoning ordinance and related regulatory documents are necessary to revise the county's zoning map so that it is consistent with the policies of the Revised Comprehensive Plan. The Plan, which was adopted by the Board of Supervisors in July 2001, serves as a guide to future development of the county.

The notification letter will inform parcel owners of the zoning district classification proposed for their property; the proposed overlay district or districts, if applicable; and the property's land use designation under the Revised Comprehensive Plan. Al-

though every parcel owner will receive a letter, the property's zoning may not change. The letter will be accompanied by two attachments describing the uses and densities of the proposed zoning district classifications, overlay districts and land use designations.

The Planning Commission has scheduled a public hearing on the proposed zoning ordinance amendments for Wednesday, August 14, and continuing on Saturday, August 17. The hearing on August 14 will include two sessions, one beginning at 3:00 p.m. and the second at 6:00 p.m. The August 17 session will begin at 9:00 a.m. All sessions will be held at the Loudoun County Government Center, 1 Harrison Street, S.E. in Leesburg. Information is available online on the county's website at:

<http://www.loudoun.gov/compplan/remap.htm>.

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New Bus Service on Route 7



Helping people get to work, school, government offices, medical facilities, and retail establishments along Route 7 is the goal of a new bus service in Loudoun County, appropriately named, "7 to 7 on 7." The 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. Monday through Friday service began July 15 and will be free through the summer. After that, the cost will be 50 cents per trip.

The eastbound bus service will begin at the Loudoun County Government Center in Leesburg and will continue to the Fairfax County line, providing easy access to various employers, schools, government offices, medical care, and shopping. Scheduled hourly stops will include Loudoun Hospital, the George Washington University Virginia Campus, Dulles Town Center, Ridgeway Circle,

Cascades, Potomac View Drive (Northern Virginia Community College, Old Dominion University and Medex), and the Fairfax County Connector Service. The westbound service will use the same stops in reverse order.

The service will be operated by Loudoun Transit with the Loudoun County Office of Transportation Services providing administrative support in such areas as marketing, promotions and distribution of materials. The Virginia Department of Rail and Transportation has provided funding to the Virginia Regional Transportation Association for the new service through its Job Access program with a goal of getting people to employment centers in Loudoun County. More information about the service, including a schedule, can be found on the Loudoun County Government Website at <http://www.loudoun.gov/transportation/mass.htm>.

Leadership Loudoun Seeks Applicants

Leadership Loudoun, a non-profit organization that trains current and emerging leaders in the Loudoun community, is accepting applications for its 2002-2003 program. **Applications can be obtained through the Loudoun County Public Information Office and will be accepted until September 1, 2002.**

The program, which begins in October and continues through the spring of 2003, will include topical forums in which class members participate in networking events with members of previous classes and experience a variety of activities designed to enrich their leadership skills. The program tuition is \$1000 for the year; limited scholarships and payment plans are available.

Over 200 people have completed the Leadership Loudoun program since it was organized

in 1992, including leaders from Loudoun's diverse business community, public officials, and representatives of non-profit organizations. These members have initiated projects that affected positive change in the community. Such projects include the inception of a Loudoun County chapter of Habitat for Humanity, Ethics Day at Loudoun County High School, placement of motorized carts for patrons with physical challenges in local grocery stores, placement of trail marking signs at Claude Moore Park, and many more.

Detailed information on Leadership Loudoun is available through the Loudoun County Public Information Office. Interested parties should call 703-771-5511 for more information, or visit the Leadership Loudoun website at: <http://www.leadershiploudoun.org>.